

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claims 1 and 6 as follows:

1. (Amended) A communication apparatus capable of executing plural kinds of communication protocols, comprising:

a first data modem;

a second data modem;

a first protocol modem;

a second protocol modem, wherein the communication protocols include a first communication protocol for setting an operation mode of said first data modem to communicate image data by using said first protocol modem to communicate protocol signals, the communication protocols further including a second communication protocol for setting said second data modem to communicate image data by using said second protocol modem to communicate protocol signals;

first detection means for detecting a call signal;

second detection means for detecting information of a partner station sent between call signals;

memory means for storing information of a communication system of the partner station in association with the information of the partner station; and

means for reading the information of the communication system of the partner station from said memory means in accordance with the information of the partner

station detected by said second detection means at the time of the detection of the call signal, and selecting one of the first and second communication protocols to be executed in accordance with the read information of the communication system.

6. (Amended) A communication method capable of executing plural kinds of communication protocols, wherein the communication protocols include a first communication protocol for setting an operation mode of a first data modem to communicate image data by using a first protocol modem to communicate protocol signals, the communication protocols further including a second communication protocol for setting a second data modem to communicate image data by using a second protocol modem to communicate protocol signals, said method comprising:

- a first detection step of detecting a call signal;
- a second detection step of detecting information of a partner station sent between call signals;
- a memory step of storing in a memory information of a communication system of the partner station in association with the information of the partner station; and
- a step of reading the information of the communication system for detected information of the partner station from said memory in accordance with the information of the partner station detected by said second detection step